

Mechanical Amusement Device (MAD) Tax

An occupation tax is imposed on operators and distributors of mechanical amusement devices, such as coin-operated video games. All proceeds are credited to the General Fund.

The occupation tax is \$35 per device placed in operation prior to July 1 of each year and \$20 per machine placed in operation after July 1 of each year.

Table 9 — Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Receipts

MONTH	CALENDAR YEAR 2003	CALENDAR YEAR 2002	CALENDAR YEAR 2001	CALENDAR YEAR 2000
January	\$40,110	\$45,565	\$35,000	\$39,935
February	136,595	8,965	4,220	12,665
March	4,215	4,235	5,770	5,125
April	(123,770)	5,775	3,915	3,035
May	6,240	5,270	7,365	5,625
June	1,995	4,185	3,175	3,370
July	5,000	4,240	7,860	8,935
August	2,580	2,980	1,860	2,195
September	3,570	1,635	3,195	1,145
October	1,615	1,305	1,615	530
November	112,310	69,090	99,155	91,205
December	286,920	347,324	318,420	352,210
Total	\$477,380	\$500,569	\$491,550	\$525,975

Severance Tax

Severance tax is levied upon the value of oil and gas severed or removed from the land. Oil and gas taken from stripper and nonstripper wells is subject to the tax. The tax is paid by every person severing oil or natural gas from land in Nebraska unless the severed oil or natural gas is sold in Nebraska. If the oil or gas is sold in Nebraska, then the first purchaser in Nebraska pays the tax.

The severance tax rate is three percent of the value of the nonstripper oil, three percent of the value of the natural gas, and two percent of the value of stripper oil.

Tax on oil or gas severed from public school lands is credited to the Permanent School Fund. For oil or gas severed from all other lands, one percent of the gross tax receipts is credited to the Severance Tax Administration Fund, up to \$300,000 may be appropriated by the legislature to the State Energy Office Cash Fund, up to \$30,000 may be appropriated to the Public Service Commission for administration of the Municipal Rate Negotiations Revolving Loan Fund, and the remainder is credited to the Permanent School Fund.

Table 10 — Severance Tax Receipts

MONTH	CALENDAR YEAR 2003	CALENDAR YEAR 2002	CALENDAR YEAR 2001	CALENDAR YEAR 2000
January	\$125,624	\$48,596	\$233,804	\$138,163
February	106,863	59,751	104,688	173,956
March	212,510	100,233	239,355	229,328
April	134,551	205,128	113,749	106,708
May	121,615	44,045	149,247	142,481
June	259,497	175,421	183,852	221,885
July	165,400	114,559	139,243	186,232
August	109,829	153,402	79,611	149,369
September	158,036	124,900	189,462	224,693
October	175,274	189,578	154,824	209,143
November	60,335	23,301	130,835	8,010
December	214,999	215,803	149,328	317,558
Total	\$1,844,533	\$1,454,717	\$1,867,999	\$2,107,526